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## HUNDRED CARS MAKE TRIP TO AGATE SPRINGS

ROAD BOOSTERS TRIP WAS TREMENDOUS SUCCESS

Western Nebraska Good Roads Association Formed Following Program in the Grove

The famous Cook ranch, at Agate, was the scene of the largest gathering of good roads boosters ever held in western Nebraska on Sunday, June 11. Over one hundred automobile loads of boosters gathered here to celebrate the formal opening of the Agate highway, leading from its starting point at Alliance to Hemingford, Agate and ending at Harrison, twenty-one miles north of that place.

Agate is today probably the most widely known "country postoffice" and the famous Cook ranch the most widely advertised ranch in the world, due to the fact that on this ranch are located the extensive Agate fossil beds, in which was found the "missing link" tooth by Dr. Harold J. Cook, to whom is due the credit for the development of these beds, which are the Mecca of scientists the world over, in their endeavors to trace back the pages of history in their study of the evolution of the human race.

The Agate highway has been opened for the purpose of providing a tourist highway to the fossil beds and the Cook ranch, in which Dr. Harold J. Cook and his father, Captain Cook, have assembled one of the largest private collections of fossils and early prairie relics in the country. Several parties of eastern geologists and scientists are already at the fossil quarries and other parties are expected soon, as the finding of the "missing link" tooth has greatly stimulated interest and an extensive search is to be made during this summer for the balance of the skeleton of the prehistoric man.

### Picnic and Program

Fifty-one auto loads of people from Alliance and Hemingford were included in the delegations attending the picnic at Agate on Sunday. A big picnic was held in the spacious grove and a program of entertainment followed. Among the speakers who took part in the program were: Dr. Harold J. Cook, Agate; True Miller, president of the chamber of commerce, Alliance; J. M. Hampton, mayor of the city; W. Guthrie and Lloyd Thomas, secretary of the Alliance chamber, who acted as chairman of the speaking program; A. M. Vance, president of the Hemingford chamber of commerce; K. L. Pierce and G. M. Jenkins, of Hemingford; A. M. Gads, district engineer of the state department of public works; and William F. Hart, of the federal bureau of Lincoln; Matt Bristol of Mitchell; a candidate for the republican nomination from the Sixth district; J. W. Meyers, president of the Harrison chamber of commerce; George Gurtel, and A. L. Schurr, Harrison.

Included with those who took part in the business meeting, which was presided over by Dr. Harold J. Cook, were: County Commissioners C. Duncan and Calvin Hashman; Attorney Reuben Knight of Box Butte county; County Commissioners M. Hall and Will Hoyt of Sioux county; Nebraska, and County Commissioners Charles P. Calhoun of Niobrara county, Wyoming.

### Road Association Organized

At the business meeting the staff was made towards the organization of the western Nebraska good roads association, with George Gurtel of Harrison as president and Lloyd Thomas of Alliance as secretary, these officers to act until about July 15, at which time delegates are to be invited from the different towns in northwestern Nebraska, including the North Platte valley. At this meeting, which is to be held at Alliance, the permanent organization will be perfected and permanent officers selected. Harold Cook was instructed, by action of the meeting, to complete the petitions which were being circulated, asking for the designation of permanent roads in Sioux county.

Music for the occasion was furnished by the Alliance band of twenty pieces. Clarence Schaefer of the Schaefer Auto Supply, made the trip with a "trouble truck," loaded with casings, tubes and other accessories, and did excellent work in looking after "crippled" autos. He also carried out a huge cake of ice, donated by the Alliance Creamery company, together with lemons and sugar, sufficient to furnish lemonade for the five hundred people who were at the picnic. A LeRoy Greig of Alliance was in charge of the lemonade mixing, and was highly complimented on his ability. The Reo Speedwagon which carried many of the bandboys and their instruments, was fitted out with cushioned seats and sunshade, and was furnished gratis by the A. H. Jones company of Alliance.

Miss Novella Coursey left Saturday night for La Junta, Col., where she will visit with her cousin, Marjorie Coursey.

## THE WEATHER

Forecast for Nebraska—Fair in east portion; unsettled in west portion with possibly showers late tonight or Wednesday. Slightly cooler east and south central portions tonight.

## Fred Brown Now Headed West and May Visit Alliance

Fred Brown, the Benson Bat, Omaha chairman, and holder of a dozen other titles, may be headed for Alliance, according to a wire received by Sheriff Miller from State Sheriff Gus Myers. Brown is reported to have passed through North Platte about midnight Sunday, and to be headed west. It is thought possible that Brown might be headed for the sand hill region, as this would make an excellent place to hide. There is little doubt that he will avoid the well traveled highways, as these are closely guarded.

The car in which he is reported to be traveling is 15-1780. Brown is said to be five feet three inches tall, about thirty-seven years of age, and to be tattooed on both arms, one arm carrying the picture of an American eagle. A reward of \$100 is offered for his arrest and detention, and \$2,700 more in various ways. The total reward for his capture will amount to \$2,800.

Brown is the man who captured and chained two Omaha girls, and held them in a cave for two days. Brown is also believed to be Ernest Bush, who was sent up for life in 1898 for murder. This was when he was only sixteen years old. He was pardoned a few days later, and was sent up again recently for a minor crime. He was again pardoned without any close examination of his past record.

## COMMITTEES CHOSEN FOR CELEBRATION

J. W. GUTHRIE APPOINTED GENERAL CHAIRMAN.

Western Nebraska Medicos Guests at Monday Luncheon of Chamber of Commerce.

Committees have been appointed to take charge of the Fourth of July entertainment that has been sponsored by the Alliance chamber of commerce. John W. Guthrie is general chairman, and the membership of the various committees was announced at the Monday luncheon of the organization. The committees follow:

Finance—C. A. Newberry, chairman; W. E. Spencer, vice chairman; F. W. Harris, Frank Abegg, Charles Brittain, A. G. Isaacson, Floyd Lucas, Ben Sallows, George Burr, J. S. Rhein and H. P. Coursey.

Fair grounds—Joe Vaughn, chairman; J. H. Hawes, vice chairman; J. W. Bicknell, Bruce Mallory, Ed Bishop, Dr. A. C. Schoch, Herb Nason, Ed Curry, Tom Lawrence.

Bronco lake—W. H. Woods, chairman; J. W. Miller, Charles Jeffers.

Street program—P. E. Romig, chairman; E. J. Sallows, C. M. Looney, Ernest Hahn, Jack Riordan, Ed Brennan.

Music—Judge I. E. Tash, chairman; J. P. Mann, Ben Keach.

City park—T. H. Barney, chairman; Mrs. S. W. Thompson, Mrs. Percy Cogswell, F. W. Harris, E. H. Boyd.

Congress—Lloyd Thomas, chairman; N. A. Kemmish.

Rest rooms and welfare—Lee Bayse, chairman.

Publicity—Edwin Burr, chairman; J. H. Jones.

Refreshments—Roy C. Strong, chairman; J. L. Johnson, James S. W. Thompson, C. M. Burlingame, Chapman, R. D. Peffer, Looney, L. H. Highland, R. W. G. Nicks, Charles Jeffers, J. W. Baker, Tom Stillwell, Tom Gee.

Horse show—John W. Guthrie, chairman; Lloyd Lucas, J. S. Rie, chairman; Newton, Lee Moore, Rhea, W. M. B. Newberry, Charles A. T. Lunn, C. A. Brittan.

Decorations—C. C. Drake, chairman; W. B. Basye, W. R. Rhoads.

Physicians Were Guests at the Twelfth Councillor District of the Western Nebraska Medical Association were present as guests of the members, as well as other visitors.

J. H. Melville of Broken Bow, head of the firm which recently purchased the Fowler Lumber company in Alliance, complimented the organization on its spirit, and on the work it accomplishes. He declared that in commercial organizations, it is essential that the members give not only their money, but their time. He explained the budget plan that is now in use in Broken Bow, and how it has reduced the requests for money that are made upon the merchants.

Dr. Bartholomew spoke for a few minutes in behalf of the proposed mill for Alliance. This city, he said, has

## GET RICH QUICK PLAN FAILS TO GET OVER HERE

PAIR OF YOUNG MEN PLACED UNDER ARREST MONDAY

Deposited \$40 and Wrote Checks Aggregating \$85, But Luck Was Against Them

A highly profitable, although somewhat risky money-making scheme was practically ruined in Alliance Monday afternoon, when Chief of Police C. W. Jeffers placed under arrest Jack C. Williams, and later picked up Williams' buddy, who gives his name as Elmer King. The plan they apparently used was one that has been known to police officers for some time, the latest artists being a man and his wife who are now sought by police at North Platte and probably a dozen other places.

The scheme is simplicity itself. King came into Alliance Monday morning with his buddy, and proceeded immediately to the First State bank where he opened a checking account, depositing \$40 in cash to his credit. He was dressed after the fashion of ranchmen and the bank officials took him to be an employee of a ranch. Then Williams proceeded to cash a number of checks written by King. The plan was to cash checks to as large an amount as possible and then fade gently away. The only difficulty was that some of the business houses to which the checks were presented failed to come through, and it was only a short time until the officers were on the trail of the pair. After that, it was a comparatively easy thing to pick them up.

So far as the police have been able to discover, Williams cashed checks to the amount of exactly \$40, the sum deposited by his buddy. However, checks were written to the total of \$85, and six of them have been located. Williams made small purchases at Roy Beckwith's, where he received change for a \$15 check; at Harper's, where he presented a \$15 check, and at E. Essey's, where he cashed a check for \$10. A check for one dollar was written at a local cafe, where the pair ate dinner, and another was left at a local bakery. When the officers arrested Williams, they recovered all the merchandise purchased, with the exception of two bits worth of cookies, and over \$35 in cash. Williams also attempted to cash a \$30 check at the First National bank and another \$15 check at the Famous, but was unsuccessful.

### Told a Wild Story

When interrogated by the officers, Williams, who claims to be but twenty years of age, declared that he drove overland from California, driving a bay team attached to a hack. He mentioned that he had come to Alliance from Lincoln, and this excited the suspicion of the officers, from couldn't see why a traveler from California would go so much out of his way to come to Box Butte county. Further questions brought out that he knew practically nothing of the country, and established his yarn as a prize fake. He claimed that he had sold his team and hack a mile west of the city to King, whom he thought was a rancher, for \$40, taking payment therefor in three checks. Just why he asked for three checks instead of one was never explained. He said further that he had entered Alliance from the west.

When King was arrested, he also tried to frame up a plausible story. His yarn was that he had buddied with Williams for over a month, meeting him in Huron, S. D. The two came together from Edgemont, he declared, using the varnished cars. He explained Williams' possession of the checks by saying that he lost them in a gambling game. He denied that the pair had ever had a team, and characterized his companion's story as "bull."

The pair have not yet been arraigned.

## "Colonel" Evans Is Fined \$25 and Costs Friday

"Colonel" William D. Evans was fined \$25 and costs Friday on the charge of assaulting John Colerick, a barber at the Woods barber shop. The testimony, which was not denied, brought out the fact that Colerick, George Watson and Earl Grant were standing in front of the barber shop Thursday afternoon talking when they suddenly were apprised of the fact that the colonel was in the vicinity, by a stream of profanity, after which Evans struck Colerick with his crutch.

Judge Berry fined Evans \$25 and costs. After avowing that he would pay it, the "colonel" immediately through when threatened with jail. Berry says that this is not the first time that Evans has been in trouble, and that the police intend to see that there will be no further disturbances on the streets. This warning is intended for the men who haunt the corners and the old man when he passes.

The Fraternity club will meet this evening at the home of Mrs. Joe O'Connor.

## BOX BUTTE TO BE INCLUDED IN POTATO TOUR

H. O. WERNER EXPLAINS HIS PLANS FOR THE TRIP.

Two Hundred Buyers and Growers to Visit Farms of County on August 17.

Secretary L. C. Thomas of the Alliance chamber of commerce has received the following letter from H. O. Werner of Lincoln, associate horticulturist of the University of Nebraska, in which Mr. Werner explains the tentative plans for the potato tour this year. In the past, this has not included Box Butte county, but in view of the great interest here in certified seed, and also the interest in dry land seed potatoes in irrigated sections, it has been deemed advisable this year.

Mr. Werner writes:

"Last week when I was in Alliance for the purpose of supervising the planting of a potato plot on the farm of Mr. Newman, I endeavored to get in touch with you by telephone, at home and at your office, but was unable to get you or to talk to you. I was hoping to have the opportunity to discuss a potato field trip, which we promise to run this summer, in western Nebraska. For the last two years we have had potato tours in Scotts Bluff county.

### Last Year's Spud Tour.

"The tour last year was especially successful having been attended by about 125 people in about thirty-five automobiles. The party was inspected potato fields and experimental and demonstration plots from 7:30 a. m. till 6 p. m. Practically every one was very enthusiastic about the trip. K. L. Pierce and Mr. Jenkins from Hemingford accompanied the party. I think they were the only representatives from Box Butte county. Most of the people who attended, claimed that this day was worth as much to them as some of the winter meetings of the association.

"In view of the great interest in certified seed potatoes in Box Butte county this year and also in view of the interest being taken in dry land seed potatoes in the irrigated sections of the state, especially Scotts Bluff county, it has seemed very advisable to us that we include Box Butte county in the plans for potato tour this year.

"Our tentative plans for the tour this year are that we start at Kimball on August 15, spending one day in Kimball county, spending August 16 at Scotts Bluff county coming to Box Butte county early in the forenoon of August 17, making a tour throughout Box Butte county on the 17th, ending with a meeting at Alliance in the evening. We will possibly travel on to Dawes county on the 18th. We are hoping that no less than 200 people will be in the party in Scotts Bluff county. Of these, probably 25 or 30 will be from outside of the potato growing sections. Possibly a number from other states.

### Growers to Make Trip.

"We are expecting all growers of certified seed to make the trip through Box Butte county if not through Scotts Bluff county, and probably many of the growers in Scotts Bluff county who are in the market for dry land seed potatoes will make the trip to Box Butte county. Everyone who is on this trip is very keenly interested in the potato industry of western Nebraska.

"We are hoping that the various towns being visited by this party, most especially the towns of Alliance and Scotts Bluff will take it upon themselves to provide some means of showing their hospitality and interest in the potato industry. Possibly one of the most desirable means of doing so would be to have the party for a dinner after the day has been spent in Box Butte county or possibly if the schedule or trip works out in that way to

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## Danish Hobo Is Arrested Thursday For Stealing Meal

Chris Kiageland, who was arrested Thursday afternoon for having refused to pay for a meal at Jack Berry's cafe, just north of the Alliance Hotel annex, was fined \$50 and costs Friday afternoon under the law providing for the punishment of those defrauding restaurant keepers. Kiageland ordered a 35c meal at Berry's, ate it and walked out. He was arrested, but it was found that he did not have a cent.

According to Judge Berry, Kiageland, who is a Dane, remarked that the city of Alliance was in great danger of being blown or burned when he was released. He evidently had no great love for the city or its guardians.

The Dane will work out his fine on the streets and will board for the next two weeks at the city's expense. Kiageland claimed that he had \$15 when he arrived in town, but that he had been "frisked" by the other hobos on the train. He was supposedly unaware of his loss until he entered the restaurant.

## Omaha Man Bound Over to Federal Court Friday

W. W. Hicks of Omaha, who was arrested Thursday night by Chief Jeffers and charged in the United States court with having liquor in his possession, pleaded guilty before Judge L. A. Berry, United States court commissioner for this district, Friday afternoon. Mr. Hicks was arrested Thursday evening when he was seen acting peculiarly, and liquor was found in his traveling bag. At the request of the defendant the case was transferred from the Chadrin court, where he was to have appeared September 11, to the Omaha court. Mr. Hicks asked that this might be done in order that he might plead guilty to the charge and get the matter over with.

He will appear soon in the Omaha court, his appearance bond being set at \$1,500.

## MRS. BAINBRIDGE PLEADS GUILTY TO ASSAULT CHARGE

Mrs. Mattie Bainbridge, who lives north of the fair grounds, pleaded guilty in county court before Judge Tash this morning to a complaint charging her with assaulting Mrs. J. R. Feagins, a neighbor, and paid a fine of \$10 and costs. The court room was nearly filled with friends of the two women.

Complaint was filed last Wednesday by Mr. Feagins, who told County Attorney Basye that his wife had been badly injured and that the results might be serious.

Mr. and Mrs. George Donnelly of Lincoln, the latter a sister of Miss Ethel Clark of the county clerk's office, arrived Thursday of last week and spent several days in Alliance. They left Monday for Sylvan lake.

## BRIDGEPORT IS DEFEATED BY THE ALLIANCE TEAM

HOME BOYS SHUT OUT VISITORS BY SCORE OF 11 TO 0

No-Defeat Record for the Season to Date—Play With Hemingford Sunday

Alliance defeated Bridgeport Sunday, 11 to 0, in a one-sided game. The game was featured by the remarkable pitching and all-around playing of "Stub" Fenning, pitcher, who struck out fifteen men, allowed but four hits, and hit safely four times of five times at bat. Of the four hits, two were three baggers. Fenning took batting honors, but was run a close race by Slattery and Nation, each of whom hit three times of four times at bat.

Nation, who has played with the Alliance team for the past six years, is leaving town, and will leave a place hard to fill. He has been one of the most reliable batters and has played a high-class fielding game during his experience with the Alliance team.

The Alliance team played a snappy fielding game, allowing only one error, while the Bridgeport pastimers were charged with four.

A good sized crowd attended the game, which was for the benefit of the Boy Scout band. The management expects even larger crowds in the future. The Alliance team has gone through the season so far without a defeat and is surely deserving of the town's support.

The next game will be with Hemingford Sunday. This will be at the local fair grounds. The Hemingford team, while previously defeated, is a fast aggregation, and will no doubt put up a good battle. Hemingford specializes in baseball, and has a fast bunch of players.

Following is the box score:

Bridgeport	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Walsh, ss	4	0	0	2	1	0
Johnson, lf	4	0	1	2	0	0
Denbo, 1b	4	0	1	5	0	2
Kilting, 3b-p-2b	3	0	1	1	0	1
Rose, rf, 3b	3	0	2	0	0	0
Banta, 2b-p	3	0	0	3	0	0
Adney, cf	4	0	1	2	0	0
Brown, c	3	0	0	6	3	0
Jensen, p-rf	3	0	0	1	1	0
Totals	30	0	4	24	8	4

Alliance	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Griffis, 1b	4	2	2	5	0	1
Slattery, ss	4	3	3	2	0	0
R. Butler, cf	5	2	0	9	0	0
Fenning, p	5	3	4	0	4	0
Garvin, rf	4	0	1	0	0	0
Edwards, 2b	4	1	2	3	1	0
Nation, lf	4	0	3	2	0	0
V. Butler, 3b	4	0	1	0	1	0
McNulty, c	4	0	1	15	0	0
Totals	39	11	17	27	6	1

Score by innings:  
Bridgeport—0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0—0  
Alliance—4 0 2 1 0 0 3 1—11

Summary—Two base hits: Kilting, Slattery, Nation. Three base hits: Fenning (2). Sacrifice hit: R. Butler. Hit by pitched ball, Fenning. Stolen bases: Johnson (2), Garvin (2), Nation. Passed balls, Brown (2). Base on balls by Banta (2); by Fenning, (2). Struck out by Jensen 1, Kilting 3, Fenning 15. Time of game 1:45. Umpire, Bob Morgan.

## EVOLUTION CAN BE RECONCILED WITH THE BIBLE

DR. COOK TALKS TO WESTERN NEBRASKA DOCTORS.

Agate Scientist Traces Development of Life From Earliest Forms to Later Types.

Alliance was host Monday to the annual convention of the twelfth councillor district of the Western Nebraska Medical society. Over fifty physicians from Box Butte, Dawes, Morrill and Scotts Bluff counties were in attendance. Sessions were held at the district court room, and the visiting physicians were the guests of the Alliance chamber of commerce at the noon luncheon. In the afternoon the following program was presented:

Dr. Morris of Alliance welcomed the visiting doctors and Dr. Stewart of Mitchell responded.

Dr. Weyrens of Alliance spoke on the problems connected with the thyroid gland. Dr. Weyrens went into the history of the thyroxin treatment, and its discovery by Dr. E. C. Kendall. Dr. Weyrens' talk was fully illustrated by slides, and he showed the action of thyroxin on the human body by this means. Dr. Weyrens then took up the goiter problem, and discussed the various methods of treatment. He said that goiters on young people, especially growing girls, should never be operated upon, but should be treated medically. The second or adenomata class, he also said, should generally not be operated on until the patient is at least thirty years old. Even after the patient has reached the age of thirty it is necessary to operate on only 23 per cent of the cases. The last class, the eophrathmic goiters are dangerous and should be treated surgically.

Dr. Stoops of Scottsbluff discussed the problems of the medical men dealing with infection in the middle ear, and of the number of cases of infection of this kind as the result of trouble in the inner ear.

Dr. Ivens of Crawford spoke on the use of radium in connection with surgical work. He said that in many cases where surgical aid was impossible that radium could be used with a greatly beneficial effect.

Dr. Baskin of Alliance spoke on the use of local anaesthetics, and of the recent developments in this line. He said that the most widely used anaesthetic for this use was novocain, which is only one-seventh to one-tenth as poisonous as cocaine, which was formerly used. He mentioned several types of operations that could be successfully performed with the use of local anaesthetics.

The members voted to hold the next meeting in Scottsbluff sometime in October, the date not being definitely set.

The session concluded with a banquet at the Palm room of the Alliance hotel in the evening, at which the principal speaker was Dr. Harold Cook of Agate.

### The Theory of Evolution.

"The theory of evolution is one of the grandest now in existence, and should in no way conflict with the ordinary religious beliefs of any man," said Dr. Cook in his lecture on "The Evolution of Life." Mr. Cook differed with William Jennings Bryan, who made the assertion that no man could reconcile the theory of evolution with the teachings of the Bible. The speaker made no attempt to do this, but he did claim that the theory of evolution was fully in accord with the principle of a great supreme being, some controlling force, or what we are pleased

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## Carl Wenzel Dies of Heart Trouble Sunday Morning

Carl F. Wenzel, car inspector for the Burlington, died in his bed at the Hazelton rooming house, sometime Saturday night or Sunday morning. Wenzel, who is 39 years old, has been in Alliance as an employee of the Burlington for the past ten years. His former home was at St. Joseph, Mo., where the body was sent for burial.

The cause of death is given as heart trouble. Mr. Wenzel having been troubled with this for several years. The actual trouble was high blood pressure.

Mr. Wenzel was apparently well all day Saturday, having been down town Saturday evening. He retired about 11 o'clock, apparently feeling well. When an attempt was made to call him in the morning, he did not answer. On examination it was found that he was dead.

The body was shipped this morning at 11 o'clock to St. Joseph. The funeral services, which were held Monday evening were under the charge of the Eagles, of which organization Mr. Wenzel was a member.

Wenzel had money in his possession and in savings accounts to the amount of \$225, and had money coming from the railroad. He also had a book, made out to "Mrs. Carl Wenzel," showing various payments on a piano purchased of a St. Joseph firm. Whether or not this is his wife is not known, but he was believed to be unmarried.